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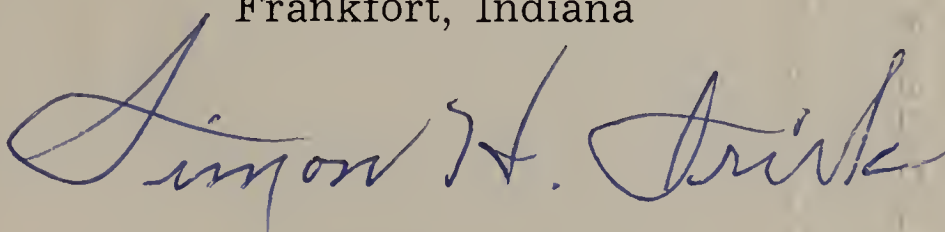


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DEDICATED

to

the Sons and Daughters

of

JOHN GINGRICH II

Jacob Gingrich

Lydia (Gingrich) Irick

John Gingrich III

Augustus Gingrich

Josephine (Gingrich) Wente

Chris Gingrich

Henry C. Gingrich

Otto J. Gingrich

Mary (Gingrich) Shearer

Theodore Gingrich

“One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh.” Eccl. 1:4a.

“One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts.” Psalm 145:4.

“The generation of the upright shall be blessed.” Psalm 112:2b.



Lydia Gingrich
Age 26



Catherine Ehresman
Age 23



Top row, left to right: Chris Gingrich, Henry C. Gingrich, Otto J. Gingrich, Theodore Gingrich.
Bottom row, left to right: Augustus Gingrich, Mary Gingrich Shearer, Josephine Gingrich Wentte, John Gingrich III.

PREFACE

This first edition of the Family Record of the descendants of John Gingrich II came into being primarily as an outgrowth of the Gingrich family reunions. The first reunion was held at the home of Augustus and Mary Gingrich in Monitor, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, September 7, 1924. By coincidence it was the year of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of John Gingrich II—he having been born in March, 1824. In order that a permanent record might be available Josephine (Gingrich) Wentz was appointed as the first family historian. She faithfully kept the record up to date and made a report of the births, marriages, and deaths of the Gingrich family at each annual reunion until her passing October 25, 1941.

Another reason for the compiling of the Gingrich family record was for the benefit of the several members of the family who resided in states outside of Indiana. This volume serves as a substitute for those who cannot attend the annual reunion by providing them with a record of all births, marriages and deaths. The compiler of this edition urges that some member of the family will continue keeping the record up to date for the compiling of future editions.

The reader will note that the spelling of the name Gingrich as it was recorded in four different documents was spelled differently each time. When John Gingrich II applied for his naturalization papers including the granting of his citizenship March 12, 1856, his name was spelled John Ginerich. On his marriage license dated December 22, 1857, it was spelled John Ginrish. When he purchased his farm in Carroll

County, Indiana, March 5, 1873, it was spelled John Ginery on the warranty deed. Then on August 27, 1888, it was spelled correctly—John Gingrich. Likewise, the spelling of the name of his wife, Catherine, was spelled differently each time. On their marriage record her name is spelled Katharin Earsman and on the warranty deed dated August 27, 1888, her name is recorded as Kate Gingrich. Then on the deed to William A. McLaughlin, May 19, 1903, it is spelled correctly—Catherine Gingrich.

The compiler of this record is indebted deeply to all members of the Gingrich Family for their generous participation in providing pictures, documents, names, dates, places, and any other information that has made this edition possible. Special acknowledgment is due Cora Gingrich Yost who so graciously accepted the responsibility of being editor. Special acknowledgment is also due to Josephine (Gingrich) Wentz who was the first historian of the Gingrich Family, and to Mary (Gingrich) Shearer and Theodore Gingrich who recalled much of the early history of their parents. The information on the FAMILY REUNION page was compiled by Cora Gingrich Yost, Bessie Gingrich, and the reunion secretary, Opal (Gingrich) Shanks. A photostatic copy of the naturalization papers of John Gingrich II was provided by Beulah (Gingrich) Walsh. Others that contributed information pertaining to their own families were Clara Gingrich, Katherine (Wentz) Dunk, Ora (Gingrich) Zehren, Ruth (Gingrich) Schneider, Harry F. Gingrich, Edna (Wentz) Lowe, Laura (Wentz) Wessling, Frances (Bush) Ohman, Esther (Bush) Hoffman, John Gingrich IV, Eleanor (Lowe) Lee, and many others. The record pertaining to the Stahly family was provided by the late Ernest I. Stahly and his wife, Helen Stahly, of Goshen, Indiana.

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FIRST REUNION, SEPTEMBER 7, 1924

Two top rows, left to right: Laura Irick, Edith Gingrich, Ethel Irick, Mary Irick, Lydia Irick, Raymond Fetterhoff, Wilbert Irick holding John, Luella Fetterhoff, Rosa Rohrbaugh, Simon Irick, Louis Funkhouser, Thelma Shearer, Harley Misner, Harry Rohrbaugh, Lawrence Gingrich, Ray Gingrich, Clarence Gingrich, Melvin Shearer, Paul Gingrich, Earl Gingrich, Mr. Ehresman.

Standing, first row, left to right: Leoma Gingrich, Malinda Shearer, Katie Irick, Dale Yost holding Robert, Cora Yost, Dora Irick, Nydia Gingrich holding Mildred, Floyd Gingrich, Bessie Gingrich.

Seated, left to right: Dora Gingrich, Clara Gingrich, Mrs. Stong, Josephine Wentte, Mary Gingrich, Henry C. Gingrich, Theodore Gingrich, John Gingrich III, Otto J. Gingrich, Daniel D. Irick, Augustus Gingrich, Chris Gingrich, Mary Shearer, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Anderson.

Seated on ground, left to right: John Rohrbaugh, Wayne Gingrich, Elwin Gingrich, Paul Irick, Deloras Gingrich, Helen Gingrich, Mary Rohrbaugh, Mary Kathryn Gingrich, Elizabeth Marie Gingrich, Kenneth E. Yost, Goldie Fetterhoff, George Rohrbaugh.

THE GINGRICH REUNION

The concept of holding an annual reunion of the descendants of John and Catherine (Ehresman) Gingrich was conceived by Otto J. Gingrich. The original reunion was held at the home of Augustus Gingrich in Monitor, Indiana, September 7, 1924. The picture on the opposite page will verify the large attendance. During the noon hour all present participated in the eating of the meal noted for its quality and abundance. The afternoon was spent socially, followed by a business session, and concluded by eating ice cream and cake.

At the business session of the original reunion the date for the 1925 meeting was set for the last Sunday in August. At the 1925 reunion the President proposed to hold the 1926 reunion the last Wednesday in August. Due to the small attendance in 1926, the date was changed to the third Sunday in August. Then at the 1937 reunion the date was changed to the first Sunday in August. Beginning August 7, 1938 all succeeding reunions have been held on the first Sunday of August.

As long as they were receptive and physically able to do so the surviving sons and daughters of John Gingrich II succeeded to the Presidency of the reunion in descending order of their chronological age beginning with John Gingrich III. Then at the August 7, 1949 reunion the succession of the Presidency was assigned to the grandsons and granddaughters of John Gingrich II in descending order of their chronological age beginning with Katherine (Wente) Dunk. Eligibility may be established by referring to the birthdays as recorded in the Record of Descendants or the Birthday Calendar.

ANNUAL REUNIONS OF THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN GINGRICH II

Date	Place	Name of President
1. Sept. 7, 1924	Home of Augustus Gingrich, Monitor, Indiana	Otto J. Gingrich, Acting
2. Aug. 30, 1925	Powell Grove, west of Monitor, Indiana	Otto J. Gingrich
3. Aug. 25, 1926	Columbia Park, Lafayette, Indiana	Otto J. Gingrich
4. Aug. 21, 1927	Home of Dale M. Yost, south of Monitor, Indiana	John Gingrich III
5. Aug. 19, 1928	Home of John Gingrich III, northeast of Delphi, Ind.	Augustus Gingrich
6. Aug. 18, 1929	Flora Community Park, Flora, Indiana	Chris Gingrich
7. Aug. 17, 1930	Flora Community Building, Flora, Indiana	Henry C. Gingrich
8. Aug. 16, 1931	Delphi City Park, Delphi, Indiana	Otto J. Gingrich
9. Aug. 21, 1932	Grove of Theodore Gingrich, Pettit, Indiana	Theodore Gingrich
10. Aug. 20, 1933	Grove of Theodore Gingrich, Pettit, Indiana	Josephine (Gingrich) Wente
11. Aug. 19, 1934	Cottage of Earl Gingrich on Lake Freeman	John Gingrich III
12. Aug. 18, 1935	Cottage of Earl Gingrich on Lake Freeman	Augustus Gingrich
13. Aug. 16, 1936	Home of Floyd Gingrich, Monitor, Indiana	Josephine (Gingrich) Wente
14. Aug. 15, 1937	Home of Floyd Gingrich, Monitor, Indiana	Chris Gingrich
15. Aug. 7, 1938	Home of Floyd Gingrich, Monitor, Indiana	Mary (Gingrich) Shearer
16. Aug. 6, 1939	Tippecanoe County Fair Ground, Lafayette, Ind.	Theodore Gingrich
17. Aug. 4, 1940	Delphi City Park, Delphi, Indiana	John Gingrich III
18. Aug. 3, 1941	Home of Dale M. Yost, Dayton, Indiana	Josephine (Gingrich) Wente
19. Aug. 2, 1942	Home of Wilbert R. Irick, east of Rossville, Ind.	Mary (Gingrich) Shearer
20. Aug. 1, 1943	Cottage of Dale M. Yost, south of Monitor, Indiana	Theodore Gingrich

21. Aug. 6, 1944	Home of John Gingrich IV, south of Delphi, Indiana	John Gingrich III
22. Aug. 5, 1945	Cottage of Dale M. Yost, south of Monitor, Indiana	Simon H. Irick
23. Aug. 4, 1946	Cottage of Dale M. Yost, south of Monitor	Paul Gingrich
24. Aug. 3, 1947	Home of Lawrence Gingrich, south of Delphi, Indiana	Paul Gingrich
25. Aug. 1, 1948	Home of Simon H. Irick, north of Frankfort, Indiana	Wilbert R. Irick
26. Aug. 7, 1949	Cottage of Dale M. Yost, south of Monitor	Leoma (Gingrich) Powell
27. Aug. 6, 1950	Home of Lawrence Gingrich, south of Delphi	Katherine (Wente) Dunk
28. Aug. 5, 1951	Home of Wilbert R. Irick, east of Rossville, Indiana	Simon H. Irick
29. Aug. 3, 1952	Cottage of Dale M. Yost, south of Monitor, Indiana	Rosa (Gingrich) Rohrabaugh
30. Aug. 2, 1953		Cora Gingrich Yost

GINGRICH FAMILY RECORD

This branch of the Gingrich family tree, beginning with John Gingrich I, had its origin in Germany. John Gingrich I was married twice. His first marriage was blessed with an only daughter, Barbara. After the death of his first wife he married the mother of Peter Imhoff. His second marriage was blessed with an only son, John Gingrich II, who was born in Bern, Germany in March 1824. As soon as John Gingrich II was old enough he was employed by a brewery in Minthen, Germany.

The first member of this branch of the Gingrich family tree to migrate to America was Peter Imhoff. Shortly thereafter he was followed by Barbara Gingrich and her half brother, John Gingrich II. All three entered the United States at the port of New York City. Peter Imhoff located near Trenton, Ohio. His half brother, John Gingrich II, and Barbara Gingrich also located in Ohio. For a few years John Gingrich was employed in Cincinnati. Then he located in Butler County, Ohio, where on the 9th day of October 1852 he declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States of America. On March 12, 1856, he was admitted to be a citizen of the United States by the Court of Common Pleas of Butler County, Ohio.

Barbara Gingrich and Peter Imhoff decided to remain in Ohio but their half brother, John Gingrich II, had an urge to go farther west. His choice was Tippecanoe County, Indiana. At the age of thirty-three when John Gingrich II married Catherine Ehresman, his hair was already white. He was about five feet ten inches tall. He always enjoyed good health and as a wrestler he was hard to beat.

Catherine Ehresman was born in Mannheim, Germany, November 16, 1834, the third of five children born to Jacob and Katherine Ehresman. Her father, Jacob Ehresman, was born in Germany August 7, 1806. Her mother, Katherine Ehresman, was born in Germany August 8, 1807. Her oldest sister, Jacobena Ehresman, was born in Germany September 19, 1830. Her only brother, Christian Ehresman, was born in Germany October 15, 1832. Her second sister, Mary Ehresman, was born in Germany November 21, 1840. Her youngest sister, Fannie Ehresman, was born in Ohio, March 6, 1845.

The Ehresman family that migrated from Germany to Ohio, then later to Indiana, consisted of two brothers and one sister. The brothers, Jacob and John Ehresman, married sisters, Katherine and Jacobena Ehresman, respectively, who were also their second cousins. The Ehresman brothers located on farms immediately south of and adjacent to Edna Mills in Clinton County, Indiana, where they reared their families. Jacob bought the farm on the west side of the highway running north and south and his brother, John, on the east side. The sister, Magdalena Ehresman, located near Nappanee in Elkhart County, Indiana, where she married Henry Stahly Sr.

In the process of their moving from Ohio to Indiana the Ehresman brothers were separated from their sister, Magdalena. Many years later a house to house traveling salesman informed the brothers that their sister resided near Nappanee, Indiana. Henry and Magdalena Stahly Sr. were blessed with eight children: three daughters and five sons. Barbara married John Ringenberg and was blessed with six children: Henry, Magdalena, Jesse, Catherine, Mary Ann, and Noah. Pauline married Tobias Yoder. After his death she married Christian Lantz. Christian H.

married Mary Souder. They were blessed with ten children: Chauncy, Emma, David, Sarah, Katie, twins Elsin and Lovina, Anna, Clayton, and Barbara. Henry H. Jr. married Mary Wickey. They were blessed with five children: Emanuel, Lovina, Malinda, Charlie, and Vernon. After the death of his first wife Henry H. Jr. married Barbara Weber. Magdalena married Andrew Bleilie. They were blessed with three children: Ezra, Ella, and Della. Simon H. married Jane Pearman. They were blessed with two children: Daniel I. and Sarah. After the death of his first wife Simon H. married Elizabeth Miller. Peter H. married Catherine Yoder. They were blessed with two children: Franklin and Ida May. After the death of his first wife Peter H. married Fanny Yoder. They were blessed with four children: Cora, Nora, Ira, and Ervin. Daniel H. married Sarah Smucker. They were blessed with eight children: Harvey, Alma, Ira, Bertha, Roy, Ida, Russel, and Dortha. Ira died at the age of 17. Magdalena Ehresman's oldest son, John Johnson, also located in Nappanee, Indiana, where he was a druggist. He married Catherine Farmwalt. They were blessed with four sons: Christian W., Noah, Daniel, and Ephraim, all born in Nappanee.

Jacob Ehresman was born in Germany in April 1806 and died near Edna Mills, Indiana, August 7, 1894. He married his second cousin, Katherine Ehresman, who was born in Germany August 8, 1807, and died near Edna Mills February 28, 1868. Both lie at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery a half mile south of their home. All of their children were born in Germany except the youngest, Fannie. Their oldest daughter, Jacobena, was born September 19, 1830, and died near Gridley, Illinois, January 12, 1900. She married Peter Oyer who died near Gridley, Illinois, June 14, 1890. Both lie at rest in the cemetery near Gridley. Their

next oldest and only son, Christian Ehresman, was born October 15, 1832, and died near Monitor, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, February 1, 1908. He married Mary Salzman who was born October 15, 1840, and died October 10, 1923. Both lie at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills. Their third oldest child, Catherine Ehresman, was born November 16, 1834, and died at her home northeast of Pettit in Carroll County, Indiana, May 23, 1903. She married John Gingrich II who died at his home in Carroll County, Indiana, February 28, 1898. Both lie at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills. The fourth oldest child of Jacob and Katherine Ehresman was Mary who was born November 21, 1840, and died at her home a mile south of Edna Mills, Indiana, Dec. 20, 1891. She married Joseph Newhouser who was born June 15, 1836, and died at his home November 22, 1881. Both lie at rest in the Amish, now renamed Mennonite Cemetery, which he and his wife deeded to the Amish Church September 20, 1876. The fifth and youngest child of Jacob and Katherine Ehresman was Fannie who was born March 6, 1845. She cared for her father until his death. After a few years she sold the farm which she acquired from her father and moved to Woodburn, Allen County, Indiana, where she married John Schenbeck. After his death she retired to the Meadows, Illinois, Home where she died April 29, 1942, and was placed at rest in the Waldo Cemetery near Flanagan, Illinois.

John Ehresman was born in Germany April 21, 1812, and died at his home south of Edna Mills, Indiana, December 15, 1903. He married Jacobena Ehresman who was born in Germany September 14, 1821, and died April 9, 1880. Both lie at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills. Their son, Christian E. Ehresman, was born November 21, 1840, and died

at his home in Edna Mills August 29, 1911. Christian E. married Mary Imhoff, daughter of Peter Imhoff. She was born January 27, 1845, and died at her home in Edna Mills, Indiana, November 21, 1922. Both lie at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills. Another son, August Ehresman, reared his family in Ohio. He married Katie Imhoff, daughter of Peter Imhoff. Another son, Jacob Ehresman, married Elizabeth Blickenstaff. They reared their family near Edna Mills, Indiana. The only daughter of John and Jacobena Ehresman, Catherine, married Christian Gerber February 18, 1873. She was born March 4, 1853, and died January 26, 1892. He died March 8, 1931. Both lie at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills, Indiana. A younger son of John and Jacobena Ehresman lies at rest in Ohio.

Peter Imhoff, half brother of John Gingerich II, was the father of eight children. His daughter, Mary Imhoff, married Christian E. Ehresman. His daughter, Katie Imhoff, married Christian E. Ehresman's brother, August Ehresman. His third daughter, Lena Imhoff, married Joseph Shick. His fourth daughter, Jacobena Imhoff, married Jacob Ehresman, son of Christian and Mary Salzman Ehresman. Peter Imhoff's sons, Jacob and Peter remained in Ohio. His third son, Chris Imhoff, reared his family near Washington, Illinois. Joseph Shick also reared his family near Washington, Illinois.

John Gingrich II and his twenty-three-year-old bride began their housekeeping in a log cabin near Robinson's Mill on the Robinson farm southeast of Monitor, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, where a small settlement surrounded the mill on the banks of the Middle Fork Creek. During the six years that they resided there their three oldest children, Jacob, Lydia, and John III, were born. During the next two years

they resided on the Wade farm northeast of Monitor where their son, Augustus, was born. From there they moved to the John Luper farm northeast of Rossville, Indiana, where their next three children, Josephine, Chris, and Henry were born. Then they moved to the Briney (Weaver) farm east of Prince William, Carroll County, Indiana, where their son, Otto John, was born. From there they moved to the John Lerch farm northeast of Pettit in Tippecanoe County, Indiana, where their daughter, Mary, was born. Their last move was a half mile north across the county line to their forty-acre farm near the southwest corner of Carroll County, Indiana, where their son, Theodore, was born.

Only the oldest grandchildren, at the time of the writing of this record, 1952, recall the welcome greetings extended to them by their grandparents and their Aunt Mary and Uncle Theodore, whenever it was their privilege to return home with their parents. In wet weather the county line road and the lane leading to the buildings were all mud. Then during the hot and dry summer months they were laden with dust. The improvements on the homestead included the one and one-half story log house which was covered with weatherboarding that was usually painted light yellow, the log stable and several smaller buildings which housed and sheltered the farming tools, poultry, horses, livestock, and feed. To the rear of the house the garden, vineyard, and orchard annually produced their kind in abundance, for which all were deeply grateful to a kind and merciful Providence. From their abundance grandfather and grandmother Gingrich generously shared with their children and grandchildren. It was at this his last abode that grandfather John Gingrich II died February 28, 1898, at the age of seventy-three years and eleven months. He lies at rest in

the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills in Clinton County, Indiana.

After the death of grandfather John Gingrich II his widow, grandmother Catherine Gingrich, with her youngest children, Mary and Theodore, remained on the homestead with the latter doing the farming. After the marriage of the daughter, Mary, her son, Augustus and his family, resided with her until the marriage of her son, Theodore. Then Theodore and his wife, Mamie, resided with her until her death, May 21, 1903. In the meantime she visited with her other children as often as her health permitted. She lies at rest beside grandfather Gingrich in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills, Indiana, where the marker records her age of sixty-eight years, six months, and six days.

Since grandfather Gingrich was already a fully grown young man upon his arrival in the States and grandmother Gingrich was eight years old when her parents and their family migrated to the States it was to be expected that they would continue to speak their vernacular, the German language, and that they would teach the same language to their children. The church of their choice, the Defenseless Mennonite, founded by Bishop Henry Egly of Adams County, Indiana, was located only about a mile northwest of their last home in Tippecanoe County, Indiana. All of the services of the church, including the Sunday School, were conducted in the German language. The Sunday School was organized according to age groups. The beginners' class was taught the German alphabet and to do some elementary reading. The intermediates were taught to read German and memorize verses from the New Testament. All adult classes studied and recited their lessons from their German Bibles. Both the Church School and the services that followed were opened and closed with the singing of German songs. Preceding

the sermon a season of prayer and individual testimonials was engaged in by all who cared to participate. Then, beginning with the twentieth century, when the second generation assumed the responsibilities of leadership in the church, all services were conducted in the English language. For a few years, while the transition was being made, services were conducted in both the German and English languages. After several members of the congregation moved to or in the vicinity of Lafayette, Indiana, a movement was started to build a house of worship in that city. In 1941 the congregation sold the rural church after it had been abandoned as a house of worship. The purchaser converted it into a dwelling.

The rural house of worship was constructed in 1885. The walls were made of locally burned brick. The roof consisted of wooden rafters and wooden shingles. Two rooms were added to the rear of the auditorium primarily for the Communion services. The woman's room was also used as a nursery. To the rear of the house of worship long sheds were built to shelter the horses from the heat in summer and the cold in winter. Before the rural church house was built all services were held in the homes of the members. Among the first ministers of the congregation was Christian Zimmerman who resided two miles west and one mile south of Rossville in Clinton County, Indiana. The next minister was John Zimmerman who resided two miles north of Monitor in Tippecanoe County, Indiana. He was followed by his son-in-law, Christian Gerber, who resided a half mile south of Edna Mills in Clinton County. All three of these ministers gave their services to church without cost to the congregation. All three lie at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills. Among the families that worshipped in the rural church were those

of Christian Zimmerman, John Zimmerman, Christian Gerber, Jacob Ehresman, John Ehresman, Christian Ehresman, Christian E. Ehresman, Jacob Amstutz, Michael Amstutz, Jacob Mellinger, Louis Hershey, John Miller, John Gingrich II, Frank Irick, Jacob Schrock, Joseph Wise, Joseph Newhouser, David Suter, Daniel Schenbeck, Nicholas Zimmerman, John Zimmerman, William Amstutz, John Mellinger, Daniel D. Irick, Simon Miller, Jesse Gerber, and others.

Since there were no high schools available at the time that John Gingrich II reared his family their education was limited to that offered by the local rural schools. The curriculum consisted mostly of the three Rs—reading, spelling, penmanship, and elementary arithmetic. Due to available funds and the necessity of all children of school age being needed for farm labor the school term was limited to the winter months. However, during the generation of his grandchildren high schools were being established in nearly every community. A comparatively large number of the grandchildren attended high school and completed the prescribed curriculum. Of this number several prepared themselves for public school teaching. Many of those entering the teaching profession also attended colleges and universities. Of that number several were granted bachelor and master's degrees. The next generation, the great-grandchildren of John Gingrich II, not only prepared itself for various types of agricultural pursuits, and the teaching profession, but also the engineering and medical professions. Others are engaged in business, social service, and the ministry. But most important of all are the mothers and wives of the Gingrich family who have never been excelled in the art of cooking. This is a family tradition that must not fail.

There was at least one instance in the life of John Gingrich II that he never forgot. It happened while he was working in Cincinnati, Ohio. As he was going about his daily routine he heard the screams of a youngster by the name of Fred Geiger whom he rescued from drowning. A few years later both chose Tippecanoe County, Indiana, as their future home. The former located near Monitor, Indiana, and Fred located in Lafayette, Indiana. Later Mr. Geiger purchased the flour and grist mill at Edna Mills, Indiana, which was operated entirely by water power. Most of the flour was hauled to and sold in Lafayette. As long as both were physically able to do so they quite frequently renewed and enjoyed each other's friendship.

DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND CATHERINE EHRESMAN GINGRICH

I. JACOB GINGRICH was born southeast of Monitor, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, in 1858, and died in 1860. He lies at rest in the Gideon Cemetery northeast of Monitor.

II. LYDIA GINGRICH was born southeast of Monitor, Tippecanoe County, Ind., November 11, 1860, and died east of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana, July 10, 1912. She married Daniel D. Irick, the second son of Frank and Elizabeth Egly Irick, June 19, 1888. He was born southwest of Cutler, Carroll County, Ind., July 3, 1866, and died east of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana, March 9, 1931. Both lie at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills. Their descendants are:

A. Simon Henry Irick was born a half mile east of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana, December 14, 1889. He married Mary S. Long at the home of her parents five miles north of Gettsyburg, Darke County, Ohio, December 28, 1915. She was born in the same home August 13, 1893. Their descendants are:

1. Paul Eugene Irick was born at the home of his maternal grandparents in Greenville, Darke County, Ohio, November 4, 1918. He married Ruth Anderson at Flora, Carroll County, Indiana, February 11, 1939. She was born northeast of Colfax, Clinton County, Indiana, November 21, 1919. Their descendants are:

(1). Jo Ann Irick was born in the Clinton County Hospital, Frankfort, Indiana, September 30, 1939.

(2). Gene Anderson Irick was born in the Clin-



Back row, left to right: Simon H. Irick, Katie E. Irick, Dora A. Irick, Wilbert R. Irick.
Seated, left to right: Lydia May Irick, Daniel D. Irick, Lydia Gingrich Irick, Laura L. Irick.

ton County Hospital, Frankfort, Indiana, January 4, 1942.

(3). David Paul Irick was born in the Clinton County Hospital, Frankfort, Indiana, July 9, 1950.

2. Robert Leland Long Irick was born in the Miami County Hospital, Peru, Indiana, March 21, 1930. He married Charlotte Blickenstaff at the First Church of the Brethren at South Bend, Indiana, June 1, 1952. She was born at Kewanna, Fulton County, Indiana, February 18, 1931.

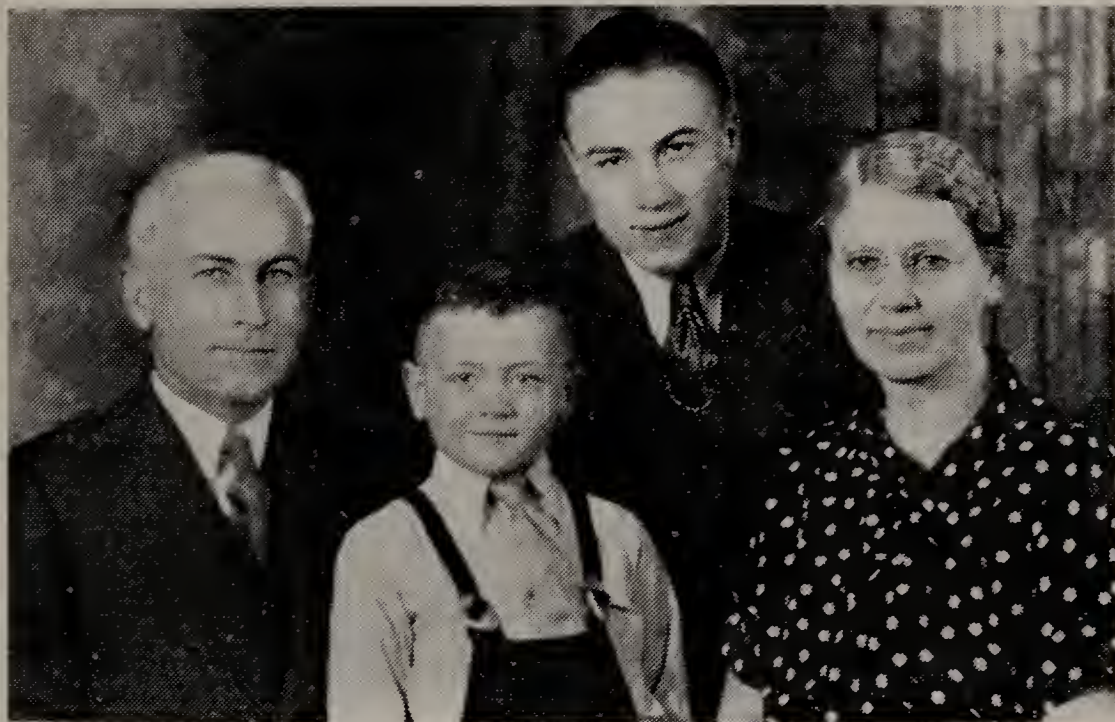
B. Dora Alma Irick was born a half mile east of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana, August 10, 1891, and died in Mulberry, Clinton County, Indiana, September 24, 1938. She lies at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills, Indiana.

C. Katie Elizabeth Irick was born a half mile east of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana, August 7, 1893.

D. Mary Ellen Irick was born a half mile east of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana, May 23, 1896, and died in the same home February 27, 1908. She lies at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills, Indiana.

E. Wilbert Roy Irick was born a half mile east of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana, July 6, 1898. He married Ethel Gertrude Gwinn August 24, 1922. She was born north of Rossville in Carroll County, Indiana, April 11, 1897. Their descendants are:

1. Lorin Donald Irick was born in Moran, Clinton County, Indiana, August 24, 1923. He married Lena Good in the Presbyterian Church at Frankfort, Ind., August 24, 1947. She was born west of Frankfort,



Left to right: Simon H. Irick, Robert L. Irick, Paul E. Irick, Mary Long Irick.

Clinton County, Indiana, June 21, 1927. Their descendants are:

(1). Steven Craig Irick was born in the Clinton County Hospital, Frankfort, Indiana, September 18, 1948.

(2). Christine Irick was born in South Bend, Indiana, May 24, 1950.

2. John William Irick was born in Moran, Clinton County, Indiana, February 25, 1928. He married Martha Anne Templeton in the Methodist Church at Bloomington, Indiana, March 17, 1951. She was born in Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, August 16, 1929. Their son,

(1). James Scott Irick was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, March 1, 1952.

F. Lydia May Irick was born a half mile east of



Left to right: Ethel Gwinn Irick, Lorin D. Irick, Wilbert R. Irick, John W. Irick.

Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana, July 19, 1900, and died northeast of Rossville, Clinton County, Indiana, January 10, 1942. She lies at rest in the Menonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana.

G. Laura Laoma Irick was born a half mile east of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana, December 5, 1903. She married Ivan Huffer August 28, 1927. He was born northeast of Michigantown, Clinton County, Indiana, April 17, 1898. Their descendants are:

1. Martha Ann Huffer was born in Frankfort, Clinton County, Indiana, June 15, 1928. She married Ray L. Strayer Jr. in Sweeney Chapel, Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana, June 18, 1949. He was born in Claypool, Kosciusko County, Indiana, December 7, 1927. Their descendants are:

- (1). Jeffrey Mark Strayer was born in Warsaw, Kosciusko County, Indiana, February 10, 1951.

(2). Daniel Arthur Strayer was born in Warsaw, Kosciusko County, Indiana, May 17, 1952.

2. James Edward Huffer was born in Frankfort, Clinton County, Indiana, September 13, 1929. He married Betty King in the Northwood Christian Church, Indianapolis, Indiana, March 18, 1951. She was born in Gas City, Grant County, Indiana, November 19, 1930. Their son,

(1). Michael J. Huffer was born in Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, June 5, 1952.

3. Mary Jane Huffer was born in Frankfort, Clinton County, Indiana, November 14, 1931.

DESCENDANTS OF JOHN GINGRICH III

III. JOHN GINGRICH III was born southeast of Monitor, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, September 26, 1862. He married Dora Wentz January 23, 1889. She was born near Lima, Ohio, January 7, 1867, and died in Delphi, Carroll County, Indiana, February 10, 1945. He died in Delphi, Indiana, December 13, 1946. Both lie at rest in the Masonic Cemetery in Delphi, Indiana. Their descendants are:

A. Rosa Gingrich was born northeast of Pettit, Carroll County, Indiana, January 6, 1890. She married Harry Rohrabach March 1, 1914. He was born near Radnor, Carroll County, Indiana, August 16, 1885, and died southwest of Logansport, Cass County, Ind., November 11, 1935. He lies at rest in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Delphi, Indiana. Their descendants are:

1. John Rohrabach was born in Scott County, Indiana, April 7, 1915.

2. Mary Rohrabach was born in Scott County, Indiana, February 5, 1917. She married Grant Miller June 14, 1939. He was born in Cass County, Indiana, May 18, 1915. Their descendants are:

(1). Shirley Ann Miller was born in Cass County, Indiana, February 15, 1940, and died in Logansport, Indiana, October 22, 1951. She lies at rest in the Center EUB Cemetery, east of Deer Creek, Cass County, Ind.

(2). Jane Marie Miller was born in Cass County, Indiana, June 27, 1945.

3. George Rohrabach was born in Jefferson County, Indiana, November 6, 1919.



John Gingrich III, Dora Wente Gingrich



John Gingrich V, John Gingrich IV

B. Luella Gingrich was born northeast of Pettit, Carroll County, Indiana, June 1, 1892. She married Raymond Fetterhoff September 7, 1913. He was born near Radnor, Carroll County, Indiana, November 23, 1888, and died at Delphi, Indiana, August 7, 1949. He lies at rest in the Masonic Cemetery, Delphi, Indiana. Their daughter,

1. Goldie Fetterhoff was born near Radnor, Carroll County, Indiana, June 5, 1922.

C. Clarence Gingrich was born near Radnor, Carroll County, Indiana, November 16, 1894. He married Mrs. Pearl Yates January 22, 1938. She was born near Monticello, Carroll County, Indiana, February 12, 1899.

D. Lawrence Gingrich was born south of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Indiana, February 28, 1897. He married Merle Gushwa January 29, 1922. She was born south of Delphi, Carroll County, Indiana, July 28, 1898. Their daughter,

1. Opal Lorene Gingrich was born near Radnor, Carroll County, Indiana, June 6, 1931. She married Charles H. Shanks in the Colburn Lutheran Church, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, December 3, 1950. He was born near Camden, Carroll County, Indiana, Dec. 18, 1927.

E. John Gingrich IV was born south of Rossville, Clinton County, Indiana, July 10, 1899. He married Lena Lantz December 11, 1924. She was born near Burnettsville, White County, Indiana, January 12, 1898, and died June 14, 1941. She lies at rest in the Masonic Cemetery at Delphi, Indiana. Their daughter,

1. Wilma Jean Gingrich was born in Delphi, Carroll County, Indiana, June 6, 1925. She married Ken-

neth Bell January 6, 1942. He was born near Hodginsville, Kentucky, October 29, 1923, and died in Germany December 2, 1944. He lies at rest in the Hodginsville, Kentucky, Cemetery. Their daughter,

(1). Donna Jean Bell was born in Lafayette, October 2, 1943.

Wilma Jean Gingrich Bell married Garnett Perkins June 1, 1946. He was born in Louisville, Kentucky, June 17, 1926. Their descendants are:

(1). David Lee Perkins was born in Hodginsville, Kentucky, April 20, 1947.

(2). John Robert Perkins was born in Hodginsville, Kentucky, March 11, 1949.

(3). James Stephen Perkins was born in Hodginsville, Kentucky, February 22, 1951.

John Gingrich IV married Ivadell Voyles May 9, 1942. She was born near Salem, Washington County, Indiana, March 12, 1907. Her daughter, Betty Voyles, was born near Burnettsville, White County, Indiana, September 5, 1930.

1. John Henry Gingrich V was born east of Brookston, White County, Indiana, November 28, 1943.

F. Infant Son Gingrich was born two miles south of Rossville, Clinton County, Indiana, in 1901, and died the same day. He lies at rest in the Mennonite Cemetery south of Edna Mills, Clinton County, Ind.

G. Ida Gingrich was born two miles south of Rossville, Clinton County, Indiana, July 27, 1903. She married Jim Plank October 29, 1942. He was born in Cutler, Carroll County, Indiana, May 9, 1897.

H. Paul Gingrich was born two miles north of Pettit, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, March 8, 1906. He married Lorene Carrington March 14, 1937. She was born near Rockfield, Carroll County, Indiana, July 22, 1905. Their daughter,

1. Carol Ann Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Indiana, March 1, 1938.

DESCENDANTS OF AUGUSTUS GINGRICH

IV. AUGUSTUS GINGRICH was born northeast of Monitor, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, July 20, 1864. He married Mary Belle Neyhard November 22, 1888. She was born near Heath, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, June 15, 1868, and died August 8, 1927. He died November 11, 1936. Both lie at rest in the Pymont Cemetery in Carroll County, Indiana. Their descendants are:

A. Cora Gingrich was born near Prince William, Carroll County, Indiana, October 15, 1890. She married Dale M. Yost December 25, 1913. He was born north of Dayton, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, April 22, 1890. Their descendants are:

1. Kenneth E. Yost was born near Dayton, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, September 17, 1918. He married Julia Alice Widmer August 22, 1942. She was born near Dayton, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, September 25, 1920. Their descendants are:

(1). Susan Eileen Yost was born in Oak Park, Illinois, January 13, 1946.

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Augustus Gingrich



Mary Neyhard Gingrich

(2). Thomas Dale Yost was born in Oak Park, Illinois, January 23, 1949.

2. Robert W. Yost was born near Dayton, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, April 9, 1924. He married Jane Roberts September 9, 1945. She was born near Mulberry, Clinton County, Indiana, February 14, 1927. Their descendants are:

(1). Nancy Jean Yost was born in Lafayette, Indiana, May 27, 1947.

(2). Gerald Robert Yost was born in Lafayette, Indiana, December 7, 1948.

(3). Shirley Marie Yost was born in Lafayette, Indiana, December 19, 1951.

B. Bessie Gingrich was born near Prince William, Carroll County, Indiana, July 26, 1892.

C. Floyd Gingrich was born near Chenoa, Illinois, March 29, 1894. He married Nydia Shipley at Lafayette, Indiana, July 25, 1919. She was born in Clarks Hill, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, July 9, 1895. Their descendants are:

1. Elizabeth Marie Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Indiana, May 13, 1920. She married Martin Clifford Mitchell at Elston, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, May 15, 1942. He was born in Courtney, North Dakota, February 13, 1921. Their descendants are:

(1). Bonnie Lou Mitchell was born in Phoenix, Arizona, February 26, 1948.

(2). Floyd Delbert Mitchell was born in Phoenix, Arizona, November 9, 1949.

(3). Betty Marie Mitchell was born in Phoenix, Arizona, February 4, 1952.

2. Mary Kathryn Gingrich was born in Lafayette,

Indiana, February 26, 1922. She married Donald Brown at Lafayette, Indiana, June 8, 1941. He was born near Battle Ground, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, December 23, 1919. Their descendants are:

(1). Bruce Wilbur Brown was born in Lafayette, Indiana, December 30, 1942.

(2). Eric Alan Brown was born in Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, April 9, 1946.

(3). Donald Floyd Brown was born in Logansport, Cass County, Indiana, November 4, 1949.

3. Mildred May Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Indiana, December 8, 1923.

D. Merle Lovelle Gingrich was born near Pettit, Carroll County, Indiana, February 20, 1902, and died March 16, 1905. He lies at rest in the Pyrmont Cemetery in Carroll County, Indiana.

DESCENDANTS OF JOSEPHINE GINGRICH WENTE

V. JOSEPHINE GINGRICH was born on the Luper farm northeast of Rossville in Carroll County, Indiana, May 19, 1866, and died October 25, 1941. She married Herman Wente November 11, 1887. He was born in Hanover, Germany, June 5, 1865, and died in Lafayette, Indiana, January 9, 1934. Both lie at rest in the Dayton Cemetery in Tippecanoe County, Indiana. (He was a brother of Dora Wente who married John Gingrich III.) Their descendants are:

A. Katherine Carolyn Wente was born northeast of Pettit in Carroll County, Indiana, September 29, 1888. She married Freeman Dunk March 2, 1917. He

was born northeast of Pettit in Tippecanoe County, Indiana, March 10, 1881. Their descendants are:

1. Robert Edward Dunk was born near Monitor, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, March 29, 1918, and died April 13, 1918. He lies at rest in the Dayton Cemetery, Tippecanoe County, Indiana.

2. George Ferl Dunk was born in Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, July 3, 1924, and died at Lafayette, Indiana, April 18, 1953. He lies at rest in the Dayton Cemetery, Tippecanoe County, Indiana.



Back row, left to right: Freeman Dunk, George Ferl Dunk. Second row, left to right: Raymond Weber, Katie Dunk holding Dorothy Weber, Laoma Powell, Theodore Gingrich, Mamie Gingrich.

Front row, left to right: David Weber, William Weber, Kathryn Weber, Stephen Weber.

B. Lucy Ellen Wente was born northeast of Pettit in Carroll County, Indiana, April 23, 1892. She married H. K. Bush of Hesperia, Michigan, July 3, 1910. He was born in Hesperia, Michigan, March 3, 1888, and died April 24, 1948. She died January 30, 1943. Both lie at rest in the Hesperia, Michigan, Cemetery. Their descendants are:

1. Frances Josephine Bush was born near Hesperia, Michigan, November 15, 1912. She married Paul Ohman December 28, 1931. He was born in Muskegon, Michigan, August 17, 1909. Their descendants are:

(1). Pauline Margaret Ohman was born in Hesperia, Michigan, August 9, 1933. She married Ronald James Hills August 23, 1952. He was born at Hesperia, Michigan, September 7, 1932.

(2). Marlene Ohman was born in Hesperia, Michigan, September 20, 1935.

(3). James Leroy Ohman was born in Fremont, Michigan, October 31, 1941.

2. Dorothy Marguerite Bush was born near Hesperia, Michigan, April 19, 1914. She married John Bosma October 30, 1934. He was born in Colorado, June 6, 1908. Their daughter,

(1). Mary Edith Bosma was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 27, 1937.

3. Mary Eleanor Bush was born near Hesperia, Michigan, October 12, 1917. She married Raymond Fredrick Weber June 8, 1940. He was born in Salem Township, Allegan County, Michigan, February 11, 1917. Their descendants are:

(1). David John Weber was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 7, 1942.

(2). Kathryn Maxine Weber was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 30, 1944.

(3). Stephen Weber was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, May 15, 1946.

(4). William Weber was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, July 2, 1947.

(5). Dorothy Arlene Weber was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, November 20, 1949.

(6). Margaret Ellen Weber was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 14, 1951.

4. Kathryn Maxine Bush was born near Hesperia, Michigan, November 24, 1918. She married Dale William Sartwell November 27, 1948. He was born in Hesperia, Michigan, March 2, 1918.

5. Esther Elizabeth Bush was born near Hesperia, Michigan, May 7, 1920. She married Frederick J. Hoffman November 26, 1944. He was born in Muskegon, Michigan, April 19, 1920. Their descendants are:

(1). Gregory James Hoffman was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, December 28, 1946.

(2). Adonica Jean Hoffman was born in Muskegon, Michigan, March 11, 1948.

6. Robert K. Bush was born near Hesperia, Michigan, December 1, 1926. He married Mona Clark April 7, 1947. She was born in Hesperia, Michigan, October 16, 1931. Their descendants are:

(1). Gail Lynn Bush was born in Fremont, Michigan, October 17, 1947.

(2). Deborah Kay Bush was born in Fremont, Michigan, February 17, 1952.

C. Laura Mabel Wente was born northeast of Pettit in Carroll County, Indiana, March 12, 1896. She married Eric Anton Wessling at Muskegon, Michigan,



Cdr. Robert Elwood Lee



Eleanor Jean Lowe



Left to right: June Jackson Lowe, Warren C. Lowe, Clifford C. Lowe Jr., Karen June Lowe.

June 9, 1920. He was born near Big Rapids, Mecosta County, Michigan, July 28, 1891.

D. Edna Florence Wentz was born in Heath, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, April 5, 1902. She married Clifford C. Lowe August 29, 1923. He was born in New Castle, Indiana, January 5, 1899. Their descendants are:

1. Eleanor Jean Lowe was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, August 31, 1924. She married Robert Elwood Lee of Far Hills, New Jersey, at Indianapolis, Indiana, November 4, 1951. He was born in Far Hills, New Jersey, October 15, 1915. Their daughter,

(1). Rebecca Ann Lee was born at the United States Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland, August 21, 1952.

2. Clifford Charles Lowe Jr. was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, December 5, 1925. He married June Jackson at Indianapolis, Indiana, September 20, 1947. She was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, June 23, 1926. Their descendants are:

(1). Warren Charles Lowe was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, May 23, 1949.

(2). Karen June Lowe was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, February 2, 1951.

3. Gerald Keith (Jerry) Lowe was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, October 8, 1936.

DESCENDANTS OF CHRIS GINGRICH

VI. CHRIS GINGRICH was born on the Luper farm northeast of Rossville in Carroll County, Indiana, June 25, 1868, and died in Lafayette, Indiana, February 17, 1950. He lies at rest in the Rest Haven Cemetery in Lafayette. He married Mary Florence Overholser February 22, 1892. She was born north of Rossville in Carroll County, Indiana, February 14, 1873, and died at St. Johns, Michigan, September 2, 1950. She lies at rest in the North Star Cemetery, North Star, Michigan. Their descendants are:

A. Ora Gingrich was born about a mile south of Rossville, Clinton County, Indiana, February 12, 1893. She married Karl C. Zehren June 17, 1915. He was born in Rooks County, Kansas, December 14, 1888. Their descendants are:

1. Lois Irene Zehren was born at Darien, Wisconsin, August 25, 1916, and died at Antioch, Illinois, October 15, 1916. She lies at rest in the Center Cemetery, Flanagan, Illinois.

2. Charles Richard Zehren was born at Flanagan, Illinois, April 27, 1920. He married Mary Carroll January 20, 1945. She was born near at Streator, Illinois, April 20, 1920. Their descendants are:

(1). Mary Carroll Zehren was born at Streator, Illinois, November 11, 1947.

(2). Sandra Eileen Zehren was born at Streator, Illinois, September 6, 1951.

B. Harry F. Gingrich was born in Chenoa, Illinois, October 20, 1895. He married Agnes Steidle February 11, 1925. She was born in Wirtenberg, Germany, July 26, 1906. Their descendants are:

1. Doris Irene Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Indiana, September 23, 1927. She married Dean Richeson September 19, 1948. He was born in Lafayette, Indiana, February 24, 1927. Their descendants are:

(1). Gary Dean Richeson was born in Lafayette, Indiana, June 22, 1949.

(2). Vicki Lynne Richeson was born in Lafayette, Indiana, September 12, 1951.

2. June Aileen Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Indiana, January 16, 1929. She married Earl Carroll St. John June 19, 1948. He was born in Joliet, Illinois, October 20, 1926.

C. Alma Gingrich was born in Chenoa, Illinois,



Left to right: Karl C. Zehren, Ora Gingrich Zehren holding Sandra Eileen Zehren, Mary Carroll Zehren.



Left to right: Charles Richard Zehren holding Mary Carroll Zehren, Mary (Carroll) Zehren holding Sandra Eileen Zehren.

August 3, 1897, and died in infancy. She lies at rest in the Chenoa, Illinois, Cemetery.

D. Berl E. Gingrich was born in Colburn, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, October 3, 1903. He married Myrtle Howard December 18, 1922. She was born in Ashley, Gratiot County, Michigan, July 31, 1906. Their descendants are:

1. Marjorie Arlene Gingrich was born in Elsie, Clinton County, Michigan, May 14, 1925. She married Darvin Beard July 2, 1947. He was born at Ithaca, Gratiot County, Michigan, August 8, 1927. Their descendants are:

(1). David Edwin Beard was born at Alma, Gratiot County, Michigan, May 2, 1949.

2. Gerald Duane Gingrich was born at Bannister, Gratiot County, Michigan, July 23, 1928.

DESCENDANTS OF HENRY C. GINGRICH

VII. HENRY C. GINGRICH was born on the Luper farm northeast of Rossville in Carroll County, Indiana, June 3, 1870. He married Lucina Lucie Schrock June 27, 1894. She was born near Flanagan, Illinois, June 25, 1877, and died June 29, 1949. He died November 29, 1929. Both lie at rest in the Waldo Cemetery near Flanagan, Illinois. Their descendants are:

A. Ruth E. Gingrich was born in Flanagan, Ill., November 13, 1896. She married Bernhart Edmund Schneider January 18, 1921. He was born in Bloomington, Illinois, October 22, 1896.

B. Donald Fredrick Gingrich was born in Flanagan, Illinois, August 7, 1900, and died May 10, 1910.



Left to right, Standing: Thomas W. Walsh, Beulah L. Walsh, Ruth E. Schneider, Bernhart E. Schneider. Seated: Lucinda Gingrich.



Henry C. Gingrich

He lies at rest in the Waldo Cemetery near Flanagan, Illinois.

C. Beulah Lucille Gingrich was born in Bloomington, Illinois, September 9, 1913. She married Thomas M. Walsh November 28, 1945. He was born in Bloomington, Illinois, November 11, 1913.

DESCENDANTS OF OTTO JOHN GINGRICH

VIII. OTTO JOHN GINGRICH was born east of Prince William on the Briney (Weaver) farm in Carroll County, Indiana, May 15, 1872, and died in Lafayette, Indiana, October 20, 1935. He lies at rest in the Rest Haven Cemetery, Lafayette, Indiana. He married Clara Spidel January 29, 1893. She was born north of Pettit, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, October 28, 1875. Their descendants are:

A. Ray Ralph Gingrich was born northeast of Pettit in Carroll County, Indiana, April 25, 1894, and died December 15, 1936. He married Edith May Heindel July 20, 1913. She was born at Twin Lakes, Michigan, December 15, 1889. He lies at rest in the Springvale Cemetery, Lafayette, Indiana. Their descendants are:

1. Raymond Wayne Gingrich was born near Dayton, Tippecanoe County, October 17, 1914. He married Opal Ruth Ezra June 30, 1938. She was born near Monon, White County, Indiana, November 5, 1915. Their descendants are:

(1). Gretchen Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Indiana, July 25, 1941.

(2). Kristin Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Ind., June 4, 1948.

(3). Kyle Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Ind., April 30, 1952.

2. Elwin LaVerne Gingrich was born in Heath, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, December 22, 1916. He married Sylvia Gibson Bamford November 20, 1946. She was born in Bramhall, England, October 12, 1920. Her daughters,

(1). Marlene Bamford was born in Bramhall, England, April, 1937.

(2). Sheila Bamford was born in Bramhall, England, June, 1939.

3. Helen Audrey Gingrich was born northeast of Heath, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, May 18, 1919. She married Francis King August 27, 1941. He was born in Lafayette, Indiana, October 30, 1909. Their descendants are:

(1). Randal Francis King was born in Lafayette, Indiana, November 10, 1946.

(2). Diedre Ann King was born in Lafayette, Indiana, April 16, 1949.

Edith May Heindel Gingrich married Harmon Barton at Lafayette, Indiana, January 2, 1943. He was born at Hoopston, Illinois, January 3, 1889.

B. Earl Gingrich was born in Archeville, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, April 14, 1896, and died June 1, 1940. He married Olive May Sense June 10, 1920. She was born north of Pettit, Tippecanoe County, Ind., March 23, 1897. He lies at rest in the Rest Haven Cemetery, Lafayette, Indiana. Their descendants are:

1. Deloras Ann Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Indiana, December 31, 1921. She married George Kingsley Millen II November 9, 1941. He was born in Gastonia, North Carolina, September 24, 1918. Their descendants are:

(1). George Kingsley Millen III was born in Lafayette, Indiana, October 26, 1941.

(2). David Earl Millen was born in Salem, Oregon, April 2, 1948.

2. James Earl Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Indiana, October 21, 1930.

C. Leora May Gingrich was born in Archeville, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, September 5, 1898, and died April 17, 1934. She married Louis Funkhouser February 5, 1930. He was born near Rockfield, Carroll County, Indiana, October 20, 1896. She lies at rest in the Rockfield, Indiana, Cemetery. Their son,

1. Richard Louis Funkhouser was born in Lafayette, Indiana, April 13, 1934.

D. Verna Ruth Gingrich was born in Lafayette, Indiana, September 5, 1905. She married Brunow Walter Ahlbrand June 30, 1927. He was born in Seymour, Jackson County, Indiana, January 22, 1903. Their descendants are:

1. Arthur Harold Ahlbrand was born in Seymour, Indiana, May 23, 1928.

2. Barbara Ann Ahlbrand was born in Seymour, Indiana, July 11, 1931.

DESCENDANTS OF MARY GINGRICH

IX. MARY GINGRICH was born on the John Lerch farm northeast of Pettit, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, May 29, 1874. She married Charles William Shearer February 6, 1900. He was born west of Pittsburg, Carroll County, Indiana, September 20, 1872, and died in Brookston, White County, Indiana, June 14, 1951. He lies at rest in the Odd Fellows Cemetery in Brookston, Indiana. Their descendants are:

A. Malinda Edith Shearer was born northeast of Pettit, Carroll County, Indiana, April 1, 1893, and died at Brookston, Indiana, February 23, 1939. She lies at rest in the Odd Fellows Cemetery at Brookston, Ind.

B. Melvin Lloyd Shearer was born in Egypt, Carroll County, Indiana, October 26, 1904. He married Lucille Watkins November 2, 1935. She was born in Lafayette, Indiana, June 23, 1910. Their descendants are:

1. Janice Sue Shearer was born in Lafayette, Indiana, February 12, 1943.

2. Glendora Kay Shearer was born in Lafayette, Indiana, June 26, 1945.

3. Robert Shearer was born in Lafayette, Indiana, November 29, 1946.

C. Thelma Elnora Shearer was born in Wolcott, White County, Indiana, July 16, 1910. She married Shelby Sutton at Delphi, Indiana, December 27, 1950. He was born at Elizabethtown, Kentucky, January 11, 1911.

DESCENDANTS OF THEODORE GINGRICH

X. THEODORE GINGRICH was born at the homestead of his parents in Clay Township northeast of Pettit in Carroll County, Indiana, May 8, 1881. He married Mamie Sommers January 5, 1902. She was born in Colburn in Tippecanoe County, Indiana, September 21, 1882. Their daughter,

A. Leoma Mildred Gingrich was born northeast of Pettit in Carroll County, Indiana, December 7, 1902. She married Lloyd Francis Powell September 11, 1937. He was born in Thawsville, Iroquois County, Illinois, December 3, 1897, and died August 24, 1947. He lies at rest in the Rest Haven Cemetery, Lafayette, Ind.



Left to right: Mamie Gingrich, Laoma Powell, Theodore Gingrich.

BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

JANUARY—

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- 3 Harmon Barton 1889
- 4 Gene Anderson Irick 1942
- 5 Clifford C. Lowe 1899
- 6 Rosa Gingrich Rohrabough 1890
- 7 Dora Wente Gingrich 1867
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- 11 Shelby Sutton 1911
- 12 Lena Lantz Gingrich 1898
- 13 Susan Eileen Yost 1946
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- 16 June Aileen Gingrich St. John 1929
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- 22 Brunow Walter Ahlbrand 1903
- 23 Thomas Dale Yost 1949
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- 27 Mary Imhoff Ehresman 1845
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FEBRUARY—

- 1
- 2 Karen June Lowe 1951
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- 4 Betty Marie Mitchell 1952
- 5 Mary Rohrbaugh Miller 1917
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- 10 Jeffrey Mark Strayer 1951
- 11 Raymond Fredrick Weber 1917
- 12 Ora Gingrich Zehren 1893; Pearl Yates Gingrich
1899; Janice Sue Shearer 1943
- 13 Martin Clifford Mitchell 1921
- 14 Mary Florence Overholser Gingrich 1873; Jane
Roberts Yost 1927
- 15 Shirley Ann Miller 1940
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- 17 Deborah Kay Bush 1952
- 18 Charlotte Blickenstaff Irick 1931
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- 20 Merle Lovelle Gingrich 1902
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- 22 James Stephen Perkins 1951
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- 24 Dean Richeson 1927
- 25 John William Irick 1928
- 26 Mary Kathryn Gingrich Brown 1922; Bonnie
Lou Mitchell 1948
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- 28 Lawrence Gingrich 1897
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MARCH—

- 1 Carol Ann Gingrich 1938; James Scott Irick 1952
- 2 Dale William Sartwell 1918
- 3 H. K. Bush 1888
- 4 Catherine Ehresman Gerber 1853
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- 6 Fannie Ehresman Schenbeck 1845
- 7
- 8 Paul Gingrich 1906
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- 10 Freeman Dunk 1881
- 11 Adonica Jean Hoffman 1948; John Robert Perkins 1949
- 12 Laura Mabel Wente Wessling 1896; Ivadell Voyles Gingrich 1907
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- 21 Robert Leland Long Irick 1930
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- 23 Olive May Sense Gingrich 1897
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- 29 Floyd Gingrich 1894; Robert Edward Dunk 1918
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APRIL—

- 1 Malinda Edith Shearer 1893
- 2 David Earl Millen 1948
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- 5 Edna Florence Wente Lowe 1902
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- 7 John Rohrabough 1915; David John Weber 1942
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- 9 Robert W. Yost 1924; Eric Alan Brown 1946
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- 11 Ethel Gertrude Gwinn Irick 1897
- 12
- 13 Richard Louis Funkhouser 1934
- 14 Earl Gingrich 1896
- 15
- 16 Diedre Ann King 1949
- 17 Ivan Huffer 1898
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- 19 Dorothy Marguerite Bush Bosma 1914; Fredrick Hoffman 1920
- 20 Mary Carroll Zehren 1920; David Lee Perkins 1947
- 21 John Ehresman 1812, brother of Jacob Ehresman
- 22 Dale M. Yost 1890
- 23 Lucy Wente Bush 1892
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- 25 Ray Ralph Gingrich 1894
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- 27 Charles Richard Zehren 1920
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- 29
- 30 Kyle Gingrich 1952

MAY-

- 1
- 2 David Edwin Beard 1949
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- 7 Esther Elizabeth Bush Hoffman 1920
- 8 Theodore Gingrich 1881
- 9 Jim Plank 1897
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- 13 Elizabeth Marie Gingrich Mitchell 1920
- 14 Marjorie Arlene Gingrich Beard 1925
- 15 Otto John Gingrich 1872; Stephen Weber 1946
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- 17 Daniel Arthur Strayer 1952
- 18 Grant Miller 1915; Helen Audrey Gingrich King
1919
- 19 Josephine Gingrich Wentz 1866
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- 23 Mary Ellen Irick 1896; Arthur Harold Ahlbrand
1928; Warren Charles Lowe 1949
- 24 Christine Irick 1950
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- 27 Nancy Jean Yost 1947
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- 29 Mary Gingrich Shearer 1874
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JUNE—

- 1 Luella Gingrich Fetterhoff 1892
- 2
- 3 Henry C. Gingrich 1870
- 4 Kristin Gingrich 1948
- 5 Herman Wente 1865; Goldie Fetterhoff 1922;
Michael J. Huffer 1952
- 6 John Bosma 1908; Wilma Jean Gingrich Bell
Perkins 1925; Opal Lorene Gingrich Shanks 1931
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- 15 Mary Belle Neyhard Gingrich 1868; Martha Ann
Huffer Strayer 1928
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- 17 Garnett Perkins 1926
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- 21 Lena Good Irick 1927
- 22 Gary Dean Richeson 1949
- 23 Lucille Watkins Shearer 1910; June Jackson
Lowe 1926
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- 25 Chris Gingrich 1868; Lucina Lucie Schrock
Gingrich 1877
- 26 Glendora Kay Shearer 1945
- 27 Mary Edith Bosma 1937; Jane Marie Miller 1945
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JULY—

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- 2 William Weber 1947
- 3 Daniel D. Irick 1866; George Ferl Dunk 1924
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- 6 Wilbert Roy Irick 1898
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- 9 Nydia Shipley Gingrich 1895; David Paul Irick 1950
- 10 John Gingrich IV 1899
- 11 Barbara Ann Ahlbrand 1931
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- 16 Thelma Elnora Shearer Sutton 1910
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- 19 Lydia May Irick 1900
- 20 Augustus Gingrich 1864
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- 22 Lorene Carrington Gingrich 1905
- 23 Gerald Duane Gingrich 1928
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- 25 Gretchen Gingrich 1941
- 26 Bessie Gingrich 1892; Agnes Steidle Gingrich 1906
- 27 Ida Gingrich Plank 1903
- 28 Anton Wessling 1891; Merle Gushwa Gingrich 1898
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- 31 Myrtle Howard Gingrich 1906

AUGUST—

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- 3 Alma Gingrich 1897
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- 7 Jacob Ehresman 1806; Katie Elizabeth Irick 1893;
Donald Fredrick Gingrich 1900
- 8 Katherine Ehresman 1807; Darvin Beard 1927
- 9 Pauline Margaret Ohman Hills 1933
- 10 Dora Alma Irick 1891
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- 13 Mary Long Irick 1893
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- 16 Harry Rohrabaugh 1885; Martha Anne Temple-
ton Irick 1929
- 17 Paul Ohman 1909
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- 21 Rebecca Anne Lee 1952
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- 24 Lorin Donald Irick 1923
- 25 Lois Irene Zehren 1916
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- 31 Eleanor Jean Lowe Lee 1924

SEPTEMBER—

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- 5 Leora May Gingrich Funkhouser 1898; Verna
Ruth Gingrich Ahlbrand 1905; Betty Voyles
Wright 1930
- 6 Sandra Eileen Zehren 1951
- 7 Ronald James Hills 1932
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- 9 Beulah Lucille Gingrich Walsh 1913
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- 12 Vicki Lynne Richeson 1951
- 13 James Edward Huffer 1929
- 14 Jacobena Ehresman 1821
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- 17 Kenneth E. Yost 1918
- 18 Steven Craig Irick 1948
- 19 Jacobena Ehresman 1930
- 20 Charles William Shearer 1872; Marlene Ohman
1935
- 21 Mamie Sommers Gingrich 1882
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- 23 Doris Irene Gingrich Richeson 1927
- 24 George Kingsley Millen II 1918
- 25 Julia Alice Widmer Yost 1920
- 26 John Gingrich III 1862
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- 29 Katherine Carolyn Wente Dunk 1888
- 30 Jo Ann Irick 1939

OCTOBER—

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- 2 Donna Jean Bell 1943
- 3 Berl E. Gingrich 1903
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- 8 Gerald Keith (Jerry) Lowe 1936
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- 12 Mary Eleanor Bush Weber 1917; Sylvia Gibson
Bamford Gingrich 1920
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- 14 Margaret Ellen Weber 1951
- 15 Christian Ehresman 1832; Cora Gingrich Yost
1890; Robert Elwood Lee 1915
- 16 Mona Clark Bush 1931
- 17 Raymond Wayne Gingrich 1914; Gail Lynn
Bush 1947
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- 20 Harry F. Gingrich 1895; Louis Funkhouser 1896;
Earl Carroll St. John 1926
- 21 James Earl Gingrich 1930
- 22 Bernhart Edmund Schneider 1896
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- 26 Melvin Lloyd Shearer 1904; George Kingsley
Millen III 1941
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- 28 Clara Spidel Gingrich 1875
- 29 Kenneth Bell 1923

- 30 Francis King 1909; Kathryn Maxine Weber 1944
31 James Leroy Ohman 1941

NOVEMBER—

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4 Paul Eugene Irick 1918; Donald Floyd Brown 1949
5 Opal Ruth Ezra Gingrich 1915
6 George Rohrabach 1919
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9 Floyd Delbert Mitchell 1949
10 Randal Francis King 1946
11 Lydia Gingrich Irick 1860; Thomas M. Walsh 1913; Mary Carroll Zehren 1947
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13 Ruth E. Gingrich Schneider 1896
14 Mary Jane Huffer 1931
15 Frances Josephine Bush Ohman 1912
16 Catherine Ehresman Gingrich 1834; Clarence Gingrich 1894
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19 Betty King Huffer 1930
20 Dorothy Arlene Weber 1949
21 Mary Ehresman 1840; Christian E. Ehresman 1840; Ruth Anderson Irick 1919
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23 Raymond Fetterhoff 1888
24 Kathryn Maxine Bush Sartwell 1918
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28 John Henry Gingrich V 1943

29 Robert Shearer 1946

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DECEMBER—

1 Robert K. Bush 1926

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3 Lloyd Francis Powell 1897

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5 Laura Laoma Irick Huffer 1903; Clifford Charles
Lowe Jr. 1925

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7 Leoma Mildred Gingrich Powell 1902; Ray L.
Strayer Jr. 1927; Gerald Robert Yost 1948

8 Mildred May Gingrich 1923

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14 Karl C. Zehren 1888; Simon Henry Irick 1889

15 Edith May Heindel Gingrich Barton 1889

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18 Charles H. Shanks 1927

19 Shirley Marie Yost 1951

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22 Elwin LaVerne Gingrich 1916

23 Donald Brown 1919

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28 Gregory James Hoffman 1946

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30 Bruce Wilbur Brown 1942

31 Deloras Ann Gingrich Millen 1921

Name	Alma Mater	Date of attendance
Barbara Ann Ahlbrand	Purdue University	B.S. Speech Therapy, Aug., 1953
Brunow Walter Ahlbrand	Purdue University	B.S.A. Agriculture, June, 1927
Verna (Gingrich) Ahlbrand	Indiana University	One year, 1924-1925
Bessie Gingrich	Indiana State Teachers	Taught school 2 years
Elwin LaVerne Gingrich	Purdue University	Two years, 1934-1936
Floyd Gingrich	Indiana State Teachers	Taught school three years
James Earl Gingrich	Marion College Oregon State College	One year B.S. Chemical Engineer, Dec., 1952
Olive M. Gingrich	Indiana State Teachers Indiana University	Taught school seven years
Raymond Wayne Gingrich	Purdue University	B.S., June, 1937
Ruth (Ezra) Gingrich	Purdue University	One year, 1936-1937
James Edward Huffer	Indiana University	B.S. in Business, June, 1951
Laura (Irick) Huffer	DePauw University	Two years, taught school three years
Mary Jane Huffer	Indiana University	B.S. in Education, June, 1953
Charlotte (Blickenstaff) Irick	Hospital in Chicago	Junior in Nurses' Training
Ethel (Gwinn) Irick	DePauw University Manchester College	Two year diploma, taught school 3 years
John William Irick	Indiana University	B.S. in Business, Marketing, Feb., 1951
Lorin Donald Irick	Indiana University	B.S. Business, Accounting, June, 1947
Martha (Templeton) Irick	Indiana University	B.S. Education, June, 1951
Mary (Long) Irick	Manchester College	Two and one-third years, Liberal Arts
Paul Eugene Irick	Manchester College Purdue University	One year, 1937-1938 B.S. with highest distinction, June, 1940; M.S., June, 1945; Ph.D. in Mathematics, Feb., 1950

Robert Long Irick	Manchester College Indiana University	A.B. in Chemistry, June, 1952 School of Medicine since September, 1952
Wilbert Roy Irick	DePauw University Manchester College	A.B. June, 1935, taught school 25 years
Simon Henry Irick	Manchester College Purdue University Indiana University	A.B., August, 1915 M.S., August, 1926 Post Graduate Student, taught 31 years
Helen (Gingrich) King	Indiana University	Nurses' Training, 1938
Deloras (Gingrich) Millen	Marion College Lafayette Conservatory of Music	One year Graduated in 1938
George Kingsley Millen II	Marion College Yakima Junior College Willamette University	B.A., June, 1949
Lloyd Francis Powell	Purdue University	B.S.A. Agriculture, June, 1921 M.S., August, 1943; taught years
Martha (Huffer) Strayer	Indiana University	Senior, School of Education
Ray L. Strayer Jr.	Indiana University	B.S. Business, June, 1949
Beulah (Gingrich) Walsh	Illinois State Normal University, Bloomington	Two year diploma, taught one year
Dale M. Yost	Purdue University	B.S.E.E., June, 1913 M.S.E.E., June, 1916 Professional Engineer, Dec., 1949
Kenneth E. Yost	Purdue University	B.S.E.E., with highest distinction, June, 1940; M.S.E.E. in curso; Pro- fessional Engineer, December, 1949
Robert W. Yost	Purdue University	B.S.E.E., February, 1948; Pro- fessional Engineer, June, 1950
Charles R. Zehren	Illinois State Normal Univ.	1938-1940 Commerce Education
Karl C. Zehren	Illinois State Normal Univ.	B.Ed., 1926; taught school 19 years
Ora (Gingrich) Zehren	Illinois State Normal Univ.	B. Ed., 1929; taught school 26 years

SPECIAL HONORS

In Scouting

Gerald Keith (Jerry) Lowe was awarded the Rank of Eagle Scout at Indianapolis, Indiana, June 10, 1951. Then during Annual Scout Week, February 7, 1952, he was honored by serving as Governor of Indiana in the office of Governor Henry F. Schricker.

During the last year of World War II over five hundred scouts and scouters were the guests of Camp Atterbury. The speakers for the occasion were Simon H. Irick for the scouts, Colonel Modisett for the Camp, and Governor Henry F. Schricker for the State.

On Sunday, November 16, 1952, the Central Indiana Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America held its Eagle Court of Honor in the War Memorial Auditorium in Indianapolis, Indiana. Simon H. Irick delivered the address for twenty-eight candidates for the Eagle Scout Award and one candidate for the Explorer Silver Award. He is the Chairman of the Clinton District Council for the year 1953.

Airline Hostess

Eleanor Jean Lowe joined the Trans World Airlines as an Airline Hostess September 24, 1945. She was based in Kansas City, Los Angeles, and New York, flying from coast to coast. She transferred to the International Division in June 1948, and flew the European Routes until October 15, 1951. She had en route stops at Paris, France; Lisbon, Portugal; and Frankfurt, Germany; and visited Cairo, Egypt; Limerick, Ireland; Geneva, Switzerland; Rome, Italy; and Madrid, Spain. She has flown over a million miles and averaged eighty-five hours a month flying time.

Honorary Membership

Kenneth E. Yost was elected to the following honorary fraternities: Pi Sigma Pi (Physics); Tau Beta Pi; Eta Kappa Nu (Electrical); and Sigma Zi (Research).

Robert W. Yost was elected to membership in the following honorary fraternities: Pi Sigma Pi (Physics); Tau Beta Pi; Eta Kappa Nu (Electrical); and Sigma Zi (Research).

Paul E. Irick was an instructor in the department of mathematics at Purdue University since 1942. He was promoted in 1950 to the position of Assistant Professor in Mathematical Statistics. In 1952 he was assigned the additional responsibility of consultant in mathematical statistics for the Indiana State Highway Commission. He was elected to membership in Sigma Xi, honorary educational and mathematical statistics fraternities.

Minister of the Gospel

George Kingsley Millen II is a native of Gastonia, North Carolina. While studying together for one year at Marion College in Indiana, he and Deloras planned their life for their chosen profession. They resided in Indiana for several years and then decided to go West. He completed his sophomore year in Yakima Junior College, Yakima, Washington. He spent his last two years in Willamette University in Oregon where he was graduated in 1950 with an A.B. in History. While attending college he was the Assistant Pastor of two large churches. They are the pastor (1952) of the Mapleton E. U. B. Church at Mapleton, Oregon. He was ordained as a Minister in the E. U. B. Church in 1948.

SERVICE RECORD**World War I**

Name	Branch of Service	Other Information
Earl Gingrich	U.S. Army	112th Sanitary Train, 37th Div.
Floyd Gingrich	U.S. Army	Infantry, Motor Transport
Harry F. Gingrich	U.S. Army	France and Germany
Simon H. Irick	U.S. Army	Personnel
Wilbert R. Irick	U.S. Army	
Bernhart E. Schneider	U.S. Army	108th Engineers, 33rd Div.

World War II

Kenneth Bell	U.S. Army	Killed in Belgium, Dec. 2, 1944
Elwin LaVerne Gingrich	U.S. Army	10 years including 8 yrs. overseas
Frederick J. Hoffman	U.S. Marines	7 years
Esther (Bush) Hoffman	Waves	
Robert K. Bush	U.S. Navy	
John William Irick	U.S. Army	
Lorin Donald Irick	U.S. Army	
Clifford Charles Lowe Jr.	U.S. Navy	P.T. Sqd. 16, Pacific Area
Elizabeth (Gingrich) Mitchell	Wacs	2nd Signal Service
Norman Dean Richeson	U.S. Navy	
Dale William Sartwell	U.S. Army	Air Forces
Earl Carroll St. John	U.S. Marines	
Thomas M. Walsh	U.S. Army	Four and one-half years
Robert Yates	U.S. Army	
Robert W. Yost	U.S. Navy	Radar Instructor
Charles Richard Zehren	U.S. Army	Fifth Air Force, Weather Service
Martin Clifford Mitchell	U.S. Navy	

Korean War

Arthur Harold Ahlbrand	U.S. Army	Camp Breckenridge 1950-1951
Elwin LaVerne Gingrich	Air Forces	Orlando Air Force Base, Orlando, Florida
James Edward Huffer	U.S. Army	Fifth Army, Counter Intelligence
Robert Elwood Lee	U.S. Navy	Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, D.C.
Ray L. Strayer, Jr.	U.S. Army	Okinawa

SERVICE RECORD

Harry F. Gingrich enlisted in the Wisconsin National Guard the day World War I was declared. He saw plenty of action in France, including engagements at Ausavile, Aisne-Marne, Montdidier-Noyon, Cantigny, St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne. He was wounded at Soissons by machine guns and gassed in the Argonne.

Bernhart E. Schneider was overseas about one and one-half years during World War I. He was a member of the 108th Engineers, 33rd Division.

Frederick J. Hoffman enlisted in the U. S. Marines December 20, 1940, and was discharged December 24, 1947. His sea and foreign service included the South Pacific Area from May 10, 1942 to June 19, 1944; and again from April 2, 1945 to March 8, 1946. He participated at Guadalcanal from September 18, 1942 to December 9, 1942; then Cape Gloucester, New Britain, from December 30, 1943 to May 5, 1944. He was recalled September 15, 1950 as a Marine Corps Reservist and served at Camp Le Jeune, N. C. until October 30, 1951.

Cdr. Robert E. Lee was graduated from Georgia Institute of Technology in 1939 with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Aeronautical Engineering and received a commission as Ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve. In 1940 he was graduated from the Navy Flight School at Pensacola, Florida, and designated as a naval aviator. He was assigned to duty in San Diego, Pearl Harbor, where he was stationed during the Japanese attack December 7, 1941, and later in the South Pacific. During the latter part of World War II, he was assigned to the Naval Air Station, Johnsville, Pennsylvania, as a test pilot. He was employed as an airplane pilot after the war before he re-entered the Navy in July, 1948, at which time he was attached to

the Naval Air Transport Squadron One, Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, Maryland, as a Training Officer. During April 1952 he was assigned as Deputy Chief of Maintenance-Engineering in the Military Air Transport Service, Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, D. C.

Clifford Charles Lowe Jr. entered the U. S. Naval Reserve June 21, 1943. The following July he was transferred to the Alameda, California, Air Station where he attended Aerial Gunnery School. In January 1944 he was sent overseas attached to P. T. Squadron No. 16, serving in the Samoa Islands at Esperato Santos, New Caledonia, Tulagi, Booganville, Green Island, Rabual, and was finally based at Emiran where he was injured July 7, 1944. He was sent to Booganville, Guadalcanal, and Oakland, California, and San Diego Naval Hospitals, and was discharged November 14, 1945. He received the Presidential Unit Citation with one star, the Asiatic-Pacific with two campaign stars, the American theatre, and the Marine Expeditionary awards.

Thomas M. Walsh served his country four and one-half years during World War II. Four years of this time he served in the Pacific Area including Hawaii, Saipan, and Iwo Jima.

Charles Richard Zehren served his country in the Air Corps of the U. S. Army in the Weather Service of the 5th Air Force from October 1941 to September 1945 a total of forty-seven months. He was stationed in the South Pacific area from March 1942 to January 1945. This area included Australia and New Guinea.

SOME PLEASANT MEMORIES AND A FEW HEARTACHES

Since the grandparents of my fellow cousins and me were born in Germany we are known as second generation Americans. Our lives have been influenced to a great extent by their coming to America and choosing agricultural pursuits and closely allied vocations. Most of their sons and their grandsons followed the same vocations. However, several have chosen the professions, while others chose mechanical and mercantile vocations.

The Gingrich Family has been blessed far more than it has suffered from tragedy. Only a few infant deaths have occurred. Only a few have had tragic deaths. Nearly all have endeavored to make a life as well as a living.

As a coincidence, both of my parents were the second child in their respective families and both had an older brother that died at the age of two years. The record will reveal only a few other early deaths including those of Mary Ellen Irick, Shirley Ann Miller, Merle Lovelle Gingrich, Robert Edward Dunk, Lois Irene Zehren, and Donald Fredrick Gingrich. Their survivors have reverently remembered them.

Whenever it was convenient for them to do so the sons and daughters of grandfather and grandmother Gingrich returned home with their families for a visit. This was a real treat for the older grandchildren including Katherine Carolyn Wenthe, Rosa Gingrich, Cora Gingrich, and myself. Whenever our play ended dis-

agreeably our parents usually executed final judgment. Those were home comings long to be remembered.

During the active days of our parents a livelihood was secured mostly by hard labor. One of those occasions was that of Uncle Herman Wenté and my father digging a long and deep ditch on the latter's farm requiring many weeks of hard labor.

We may not understand now why a young person is called to his heavenly home so early in life. Only our Creator can provide the answer. Our hearts were saddened when my sister, Mary Ellen Irick, at the age of eleven, was stricken with a heart condition that eventually made it impossible to continue her going to school. She enjoyed her school days and the many friendships formed during the time she was able to attend. Being desirous of seeing her playmates once more my father by means of a horse and buggy, took her to school once more. She enjoyed the occasion to the fullest extent. Her ambition was realized and never requested to return again. Within a few weeks she quietly went to her heavenly home.

One of the most happy occasions at our home was the weekly visit of Uncle Otto J. Gingrich when he provided us with groceries, ate dinner with us, and then treated us with some candy. It was quite a disappointment for us when he moved his place of business from Pyrmont and terminated his weekly call.

Another adventure that we enjoyed was that of visiting at the home of Uncle Augustus Gingrich when he resided on the sand ridge west of Lafayette, Indiana, and provided us with all of the watermelons and muskmelons that we could eat.

When Uncle Herman Wenté resided adjacent to grandfather Gingrich's home he operated a sorghum

mill and made sorghum molasses. It was an annual event for us to take the cane to his mill in September, observe the extraction of the sweet juice, and observe the boiling procedure. Then a few days later return for the finished product.

I still recall the time that Uncle John Gingrich III resided on Great-aunt Fannie Ehresman's farm south of and adjacent to Edna Mills, Indiana. Below the hill and to the rear of the barn there was a large fish pond. During the summer months it was a fisherman's paradise. During the winter months the ice was cut by Uncle John, my father, and some of the neighbors and stored in the ice house nearby. Then during the following summer the ice was used by them for making ice cream. Frequently several families united in the making and the eating of the cream at a convenient Sunday afternoon.

One of the most destructive losses that may be suffered by anyone is caused by fire. When John Gingrich III resided two miles south of Rossville, Ind., the barn and its contents were almost completely destroyed. On such occasions neighbors are more appreciated than at any other time. His neighbors were equal to the occasion and were very helpful with their means and sympathy. Several years later while I was at Indiana University and my father was several miles away, lightning struck our barn and burned it and its contents. My mother never recovered from the shock and gave her life a few months later as a result of it.

When Uncle Augustus Gingrich resided a short distance east of Americus in Tippecanoe County, Ind., my father took his family to pay him and his family a visit. The farm was located between the Wabash

and Erie Canal towpath and the Wabash River. Uncle Augustus and his son, Floyd, had planted the entire river bottom in corn. It was a rare privilege for me to walk the old towpath and then to walk between the long rows of corn to the river and then return to the home by the towpath. Visits like it are never forgotten.

Homesickness is more or less a common denominator for most children. Being about four years of age I was a guest for a long week at the home of Grandmother Gingrich and Aunt Mary. Both had some difficulty keeping me in good humor after the first day. I will never be able to repay them for their kindness.

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
THE STATE OF OHIO, BUTLER COUNTY, SS:**

Court of Common Pleas, February Term, 1856

Be it Remembered, That John Ginerich a native of
Germany

and now a resident of this county, has this day, to-wit:
on the

Twelfth day of March one thousand eight hundred and
fifty-six come into court and made application to be
fully NATURALIZED, and to become a citizen of the
United States; and it appearing to the satisfaction of
the Court that said John Ginerich on the 9th day of
October

one thousand eight hundred fifty-two before the

Clerk of this Court

did appear, and on solemn oath declare that it was
his bona fide intention to become a citizen of the United
States, in conformity to the laws of the United States,
in such case made and provided: And this Court be-
ing satisfied by the oaths of Leonard Stillwagh and
Joseph Engle citizens of the United States, that the
said John Ginerich has resided within the United
States five years last passed, and within the State of
Ohio one year last passed; that during that period,
he hath behaved himself as a man of good moral char-
acter, attached to the principles of the Constitution of
the United States, and well disposed of to the good
order and happiness of the same. And on being ad-
mitted by this court, the said John Ginerich on solemn
oath, in open Court, declared "That he will support
the Constitution of the United States, and that he doth

absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to every Foreign Prince, Potentate, State and Sovereignty, whatever, and particularly to the

King of Germany

This is, therefore, to certify, That the said John Ginerich has complied with the laws of the United States, in such case made and provided, and he is therefore admitted to be a citizen of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Michael C. Ryan,
Clerk

of the Court of Common Pleas of the said county
of Butler, have hereunto set my hand and af-
fixed the seal of our said Court at Hamilton,
the 12th day of March
one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six

M. C. Ryan Clerk
By E. A. Dalton Deputy

Marriage License

of

John Gingrich II and Catherine Ehresman

as recorded in Marriage Record 3 Page 432

John Ginrish Be it Remembered, That on this 22
to ss day of December 1857 the follow-
Katharin Earsman ing Marriage License was issued,
to-wit: Indiana, To-wit: Clinton County, ss.
To all who shall see these Presents, GREETING:
Know Ye, That any person legally authorized to solem-

nize Matrimony, is hereby Licensed to join in Marriage, as Husband and Wife John Ginrish and Katharin Earsman and so doing, this shall be his sufficient authority.

SEAL In testimony whereof, I, John Barner Clerk of the Clinton Circuit Court, hereunto subscribe my name, and affix the seal of said Court, this 22 day of December A. D. 1857.

John Barner, Clerk

Elizabeth Wolf to John Gingery

Deed Record 10 Page 411

This Indenture witnesseth the Grantor Elizabeth Wolf of the County of Pratt and State of Illinois for and in consideration of the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars in hand paid, Convey and Warrant to John Gingery of the County of Carroll and State of Indiana the following described real estate to-wit: The North West quarter of the South West Quarter of Section Eighteen (18) Township Twenty Three (23) North of Range two (2) West, containing forty (40) acres in the County of Carroll and State of Indiana, situated in the County of Carroll in the State of Indiana, hereby releasing and waiving all rights under and by virtue of the Homestead Exemption Laws of this State.

Dated this 5th day of March A. D. 1873.

her
Elizabeth X Wolf (Seal)
mark

Witness

David Wagoner
Samuel Wolf

State of Illinois

ss:

County of Pratt

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 5th
day of March A. D. 1873

William Saunders N. P.

Recorded this 19th day of May

A. D. 1873 at 1 o'clock P. M.

John W. Faucett R. C. C.

John Gingrich & wife to Herman Wentz

Deed Record Book 31 Page 60

This Indenture Witnesseth, That John Gingrich
and Kate Gingrich his wife of Carroll County in the
State of Indiana Convey and Warrant to Herman Wentz
in Carroll County in the State of Indiana for the sum
of Two Hundred Dollars the following Real Estate in
Carroll County in the State of Indiana to-wit:

One acre out of the South West corner of etc.
In witness where of the said John Gingrich Catharine
Gingrich have hereunto set their hand & seal this
twenty-seventh day of August A. D. 1888

John Gingrich Seal

Catharine Gingrich Seal

Recorded Sept. 17, 1888 at 11:45 A. M.

Charles Williams R. C. C.

Catherine Gingrich et al to William A. McLaughlin

Deed Record Book 58 Page 577

Warranty May 19, 1903, 2300.00

Pt. NW ¼ SW ¼ Sec. 18 Twp. 23, Range 2 W 39 A

Recorded May 20, 1903

DEFENSELESS MENNONITE CEMETERY

Deed Record Book 85, Page 524

This Indenture Witnesseth, That

Joseph Newhouse (r) and Mary Newhouse (r), his wife of Clinton County, in the State of Indiana

Convey and Warrant to Christian Zimmerman, Trustee of the (A) Omish Church, or his successors in Office of Ross Township of Clinton County, in the State of Indiana for the sum of Thirteen Dollars, the following REAL ESTATE in Clinton County in the State of Indiana, to-wit:

Beginning at a point forty-four (44) rods North of the South East corner of the South West quarter of section Twenty-Nine (29) Township Twenty-three (23) North of Range two (2) West, thence running West Six and one third ($6\frac{1}{3}$) Rods, thence North six and one third ($6\frac{1}{3}$) rods, thence East six and one third ($6\frac{1}{3}$) rods, thence South six and one third ($6\frac{1}{3}$) rods, to the place of Beginning, containing one fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of an acre.

In Witness Whereof, the said

Joseph Newhouse (r) and Mary Newhouse (r) his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals, this 20th day of September A. D. 1876

The State of Indiana, Clinton County, ss:

before me, James A. Merrill, a Notary Public in and for said County, this twentieth day of September 1876 Joseph Newhouse (r) and Mary Newhouse (r) his wife acknowledged the execution of the annexed Deed. Witness my hand and Notarial seal this 20th day of Sept., 1876.

James A. Merrill, Notary Public

A true copy filed and recorded January 30th 1893 at 2 P. M.

William M. Wood

N. B. On the 7th day of October A. D. 1938 an additional fifty (50) feet was added to the South end of the above described cemetery for the sum of Thirteen dollars (\$13.00).

